

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. CA- 02

Introduced by

A RESOLUTION concerning

Term Limits

FOR the purpose of amending the Charter of the City of Annapolis to delete the provision that limits the office of mayor from being held by the same person for no more than two (2) full consecutive terms.

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BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments
Article II. Election of Mayor and Aldermen
Section 3. Terms; qualifications for office, at (b)
Charter of the City of Annapolis

SECTION I: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Charter of the City of Annapolis shall read as follows:

ARTICLE II. ELECTION OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Sec. 3. Terms; qualifications for office.

(a) The mayor and aldermen shall each serve terms of four (4) years, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The beginning and ending of each term is as prescribed in Article II, Section 5 of this Charter.

(b) The mayor must be a registered voter in the city for at least two (2) years immediately proceeding the date of the general election. ~~A person may not hold office as mayor for more than two (2) full consecutive terms to which elected in the manner provided by Article II, Section 5 of this Charter.~~

(c) Aldermen, except those first elected from areas annexed to the city, shall be registered voters in the city for at least one (1) year immediately preceding their election and a registered voter in the ward from which they are elected for at least six months and

1 must have resided in that ward for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the date
2 of the general election.

3 **SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
4 **COUNCIL** that the date of adoption of this Resolution is _____, and the
5 amendment of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, hereby enacted shall become effective
6 on _____, unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted
7 by law, provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted
8 on the bulletin board in the City Hall until _____, and provided further that a
9 copy of the title of this Resolution shall be published in "The Capital," a newspaper of
10 general circulation in the City of Annapolis, or in any other newspaper of such general
11 circulation, once in each of the weeks on _____, _____,
12 _____, and _____.

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16 **SECTION III: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL**
17 that the Mayor is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the provisions of Section II
18 hereof, and, as evidence of such compliance, the Mayor shall cause to be maintained
19 appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which the title
20 of the Resolution shall have been published and if a favorable referendum is held on the
21 Charter change, shall declare the Charter change hereby enacted to be effective on
22 _____, by affixing his signature hereto in the space provided on the effective date
23 of change.

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27 **SECTION IV: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL**
28 that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become effective, either as
29 provided herein or following a referendum, the Mayor shall send to the Department of
30 Legislative Reference of Maryland a copy of this Resolution showing the number of
31 Aldermen voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for or against the
32 amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such referendum.

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34 The above Charter Amendment was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was
35 passed at a _____ meeting of the Annapolis City Council on, the _____ Aldermen voting
36 in the affirmative, _____ Aldermen voting in the negative, _____ Aldermen abstaining and
37 _____ Aldermen absent and the said Resolution becomes effective in accordance with law
38 on the _____ day of _____.

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ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, _____.

ATTEST: THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL

Deborah Heinbuch, CMC/AAE
City Clerk

BY: _____
Ellen Moyer, MAYOR

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

EXPLANATION:

Redlining indicates matter added to existing law.
~~Strike Out indicates matter deleted from existing law.~~
Underlining and redlining indicate amendments.